

JULY 27th



On this day in...

2014: Thunderstorms erupted in the mountains of San Diego County and even along the coast. Flash flooding occurred in La Jolla Shores and near Warner Springs along Hwy 79. Lightning struck a palm tree in Encinitas. The ensuing fire burned the side of a home.

1998: It was 123° at Thermal, 119° at Borrego Springs and 118° at Palm Springs.

1995: A heat wave started on this day and ended on 7/29. It was 123° at Palm Springs on 7/28 and on 7/29. On this day it was 120° in Coachella, 113° in San Jacinto, 112° in Riverside, 111° in Banning, Moreno Valley, and Sun City, and 110° in Yucaipa.

1989: Monsoon thunderstorms over western Arizona congealed into a large Mesoscale Convective System (MCS) that rolled into Imperial County and eastern San Diego County. Nearly three inches of rain fell in Yuma, resulting in extensive damage from to flash flooding. Strong outflow winds of 50-60 mph were measured in Blythe and Imperial with near zero visibility in blowing dust and sand. These winds eventually pushed all the way into the Anza Borrego Desert, sporadically downing power lines.

1987: A tornado touched down in Twentynine Palms.

1969: A heavy thunderstorm hit Lucerne Valley. Flash floods and debris flows moved several cars off the highway and caused damage to some homes. A three foot wall of water ripped out three miles of highway.

1960: Severe thunderstorms rolled through Imperial County. Winds from the storms blew down trees and utility lines, damaged homes, and demolished TV antennas.

1956: Strong monsoon flow hit the region with thunderstorms each day from 7/23 to 7/28, even west of the mountains. On this day through 7/28 successive thunderstorms brought flash floods and mudslides to the Barton Flats area, damaging and closing roads.

1946: Hail piled up to 1.5 inches between Wrightwood and Big Pines. Some property damage was caused by the heavy rain and hail.

1939: A severe thunderstorm hit Needles with 1.46 inches of rain in nine hours from 6 pm this day to 3 am 7/29. Flash floods and debris flows damaged homes and businesses. Hail over one inch in diameter fell in the first 20 minutes.